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Part XIII Fees

4VAC50-60-700. Purpose.

Sections <u>10.1-603.4</u> and <u>10.1-603.5</u> of the Code of Virginia authorize the establishment of a statewide fee schedule for stormwater management and state agency projects. These regulations in this part establish the fee assessment and collection system.

4VAC50-60-710. Definitions.

The following words and terms used in this chapter have the following meanings:

"Permit applicant" means for the purposes of this part any person submitting a permit application for issuance, reissuance, or modification, except as exempted by 4VAC50-60-740, of a permit or filing a registration statement or permit application for coverage under a general permit issued pursuant to the Act and this chapter.

"Permit application" means for the purposes of this part the forms approved by the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board for applying for issuance or reissuance of a permit or for filing a registration statement or application for coverage under a general permit issued in response to the Act and this chapter. In the case of modifications to an existing permit requested by the permit holder and not exempted by 4VAC50-60-740, the application shall consist of the formal written request and any accompanying documentation submitted by the permit holder to initiate the modification.

4VAC50-60-720. Authority.

The authority for this part is pursuant to §§10.1-604.4 and 10.1-603.4:1 of the Code of Virginia and enactment clause 7 governing the transfer of the relevant provisions of Fees for Permits and Certificates Regulations, 9VAC25-20, in accordance with Chapter 372 of the 2004 Virginia Acts of Assembly.

4VAC50-60-730. Applicability.

- A. This part applies to:
- 1. All permit applicants for issuance of a new permit or reissuance of an existing permit, except as specifically exempt under 4VAC50-60-740 A. The fee due shall be as specified under 4VAC50-60-800 or 4VAC50-60-820.
- 2. All permittees who request that an existing permit be modified, except as specifically exempt under 4VAC50-60-740 A 1 of this chapter. The fee due shall be as specified under 4VAC50-60-810.
- B. An applicant for a permit involving a permit that is to be revoked and reissued shall be considered an applicant for a new permit. The fee due shall be as specified under 4VAC50-60-800.
- C. Permit maintenance fees apply to each Virginia Stormwater Management Permit (VSMP) permit holder. The fee due shall be as specified under 4VAC50-60-830.

4VAC50-60-740. Exemptions.

No permit application fees will be assessed to:

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- 1. Permittees who request minor modifications or minor amendments to permits as defined in 4VAC50-60-10.
- 2. Permittees whose permits are modified or amended at the initiative of the permitissuing authority.

4VAC50-60-750. Due dates for Virginia Stormwater Management Program (VSMP) Permits.

- A. Permit application fees for all new permit applications are due on the day a permit application is submitted and shall be paid in accordance with 4VAC50-60-760. Applications will not be processed without payment of the required fee.
- B. A permit application fee is due on the day a permit application is submitted for a major modification that occurs (and becomes effective) before the stated permit expiration date. There is no application fee for a major modification or amendment that is made at the permit-issuing authority's initiative.
- C. Permit maintenance fees shall be paid to the permit-issuing authority by October 1 of each year. No permit will be reissued or automatically continued without payment of the required fee.

Effective April 1, 2005, any permit holder whose permit is effective as of April 1 of a given year (including permits that have been administratively continued) shall pay the permit maintenance fee or fees to the permit-issuing authority by October 1 of that same year.

4VAC50-60-760. Method of payment.

A. Fees shall be submitted electronically or be paid by check, draft or postal money order payable to the Treasurer of Virginia, to the permit-issuing authority, and must be in U.S. currency, except that agencies and institutions of the Commonwealth of Virginia may submit Interagency Transfers for the amount of the fee. To pay electronically, go to the Department of Conservation and Recreation's stormwater management section of the Department's public website at http://www.dcr.virginia.gov. Fees not submitted electronically shall be sent to the following address: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, Division of Finance, Accounts Payable, 203 Governor Street, Richmond, VA 23219.

- B. Required information. All applicants for new permit issuance, permit reissuance, or permit modification shall submit the following information along with the fee payment or utilize the Department of Conservation and Recreation Permit Application Fee Form:
 - 1. Applicant name, address and daytime phone number.
 - 2. Applicant Federal Identification Number (FIN).
 - 3. The name of the facility/activity, and the facility/activity location.
 - 4. The type of permit applied for.
- 5. Whether the application is for a new permit issuance, permit reissuance or permit modification.
 - 6. The amount of fee submitted.
 - 7. The existing permit number, if applicable.

4VAC50-60-770. Incomplete payments and late payments.

All incomplete payments will be deemed as nonpayments.

Interest may be charged for late payments at the underpayment rate set out by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service established pursuant to §6621(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code. This

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rate is prescribed in §58.1-15 of the Code of Virginia and is calculated on a monthly basis at the applicable periodic rate.

A 10% late payment fee may be charged to any delinquent (over 90 days past due) account.

The permit-issuing authority is entitled to all remedies available under the Code of Virginia in collecting any past due amount and may recover any attorney's fees and/or other administrative costs incurred in pursuing and collecting any past due amount.

4VAC50-60-780. Deposit and use of fees.

All fees collected by the board or department in response to this chapter shall be deposited into a special nonreverting fund known as the Virginia Stormwater Management Fund established by, and used and accounted for as specified in §10.1-503.4:1 of the Code of Virginia. Fees collected shall be exempt from statewide indirect costs charged and collected by the Department of Accounts.

Whenever the board has delegated a stormwater management program to a locality or is required to do so by the Act, no more than 30% of the total revenue generated by the statewide stormwater management fees collected within the locality shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Virginia Stormwater Management Fund.

4VAC50-60-790. General.

Each permit application for a new permit each permit application for reissuance of a permit, each permit application for major modification of a permit, and each revocation and reissuance of a permit is a separate action and shall be assessed a separate fee, as applicable. The fees for each type of permit that the permit-issuing authority has the authority to issue, reissue or modify will be as specified in this part.

4VAC50-60-800. Fee schedules for VSMP Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System new permit issuance.

The following fee schedule applies to permit applications for issuance of a new VSMP Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System permit.

| VSMP Municipal Stormwater / MS4 Individual (Large and Medium) | \$21,300 |
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| VSMP Municipal Stormwater / MS4 Individual (Small) | \$2,000 |
| VSMP Municipal Stormwater / MS4 General Permit (Small) | \$600 |

4VAC50-60-810. Fee schedules for major modification of individual permits or certificates requested by the permitee.

The following fee schedules apply to applications for major modification of an individual permit requested by the permittee:

The permit application fees listed in the table below apply to a major modification of a VSMP Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems Permit that occurs (and becomes effective) before the stated permit expiration date.

| VSMP Municipal Stormwater / MS4 Individual (Large and Medium) | \$10,650 |
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| VSMP Municipal Stormwater / MS4 Individual (Small) | \$1,000 |

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4VAC50-60-820. Fees for filing permit applications (registration statements) for general permits issued by the permit-issuing authority.

The following fees apply to filing of permit applications (registration statements) for all general permits issued by the permit-issuing authority, except VSMP Stormwater Construction General Permits.

The fee for filing a permit application (registration statement) for coverage under a VSMP stormwater general permit issued by the permit-issuing authority shall be:

| VSMP General / Stormwater Management - Phase I Land Clearing (Large | \$500 |
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| Construction Activity - Sites or common plans of development equal to or greater | |
| than 5 acres) | |
| VSMP General / Stormwater Management - Phase II Land Clearing (Small | \$300 |
| Construction Activity - Sites or common plans of development equal to or greater | |
| than 1 acre and less than 5 Acres) | |

4VAC50-60-830. Permit maintenance fees.

A. The following annual permit maintenance fees apply to each VSMP permit identified below, including expired permits that have been administratively continued:

| VSMP Municipal Stormwater / MS4 Individual (Large and Medium) | \$3,800 |
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| VSMP Municipal Stormwater / MS4 Individual (Small) | \$400 |
| VSMP General / Stormwater Management - Phase I Land Clearing (Large | \$0 |
| Construction Activity - Sites or common plans of development equal to or greater | |
| than 5 acres) | |
| VSMP General / Stormwater Management - Phase II Land Clearing (Small | \$0 |
| Construction Activity - Sites or common plans of development equal to or greater | |
| than 1 acre and less than 5 Acres) | |

B. An additional permit maintenance fee of \$1,000 shall be paid annually by permittees in a toxics management program. Any facility that performs acute or chronic biological testing for compliance with a limit or special condition requiring monitoring in a VPDES permit is included in the toxics management program.